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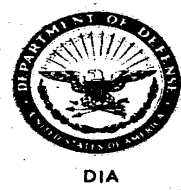
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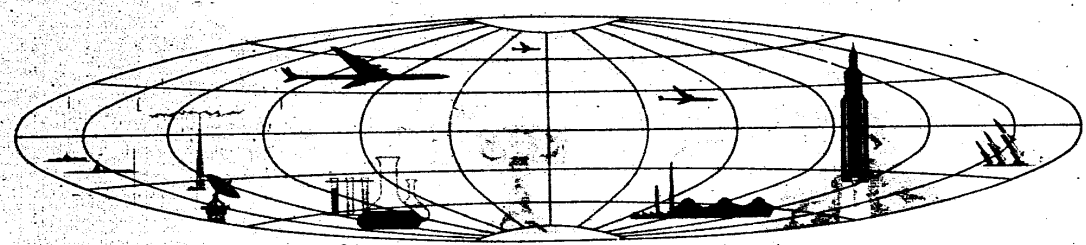


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25X9 A new aerial target and additional scarring activity have been observed near one of four military training areas located in the vicinity of Gorokhovets, USSR. These areas have been previously described in NPIC/R-3/62. 1/

25X9 Three of the training areas are grouped approximately 12 nautical miles (nm) northeast of Gorokhovets. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] military training center. The three training areas northeast of Gorokhovets comprise a possible administration, barracks, and support area; an adjoining troop-training area; and a possible self-propelled weapons firing range (Figure 1).

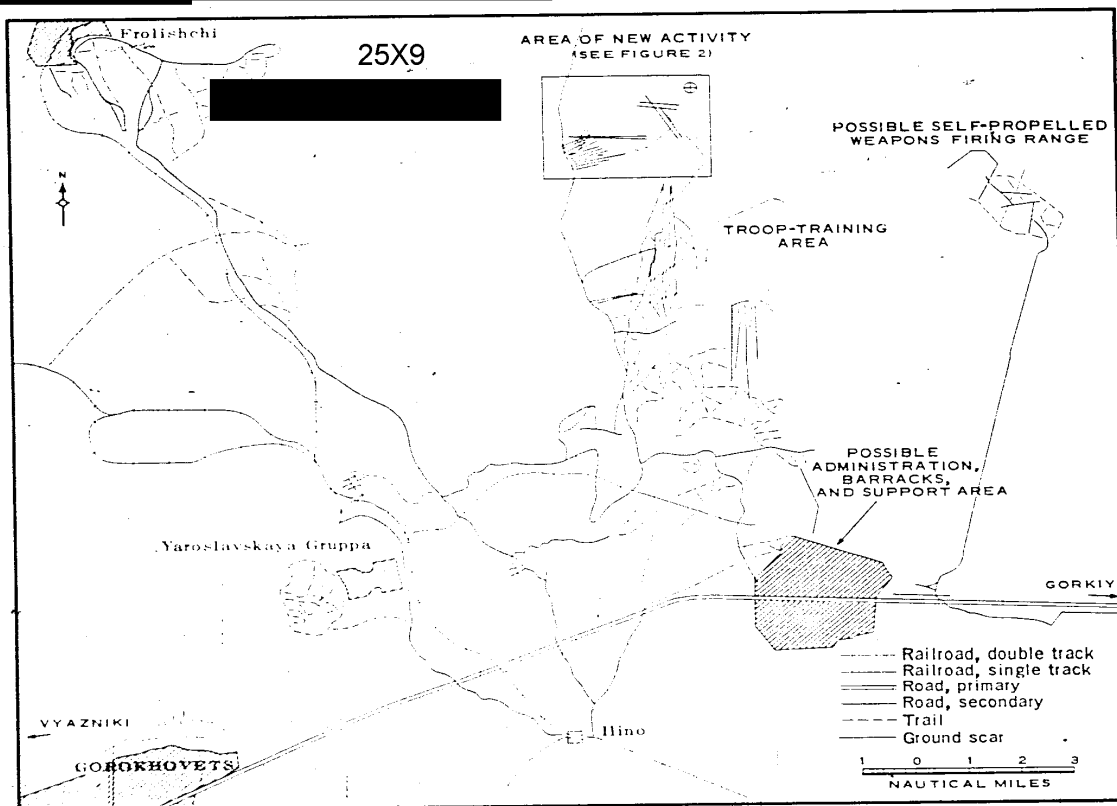


FIGURE 1. MILITARY TRAINING AREAS NEAR GOROKHOVETS, USSR.

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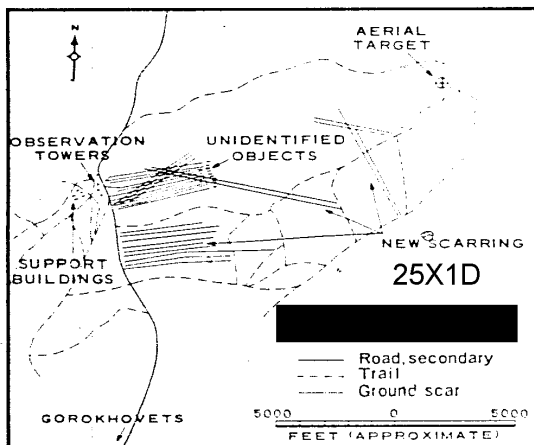


FIGURE 2. NEW ACTIVITY OBSERVED AT THE TROOP-TRAINING AREA.

eter of the troop-training area at 56-25-10N 42-57-15E (Figures 1 and 2). This target, a circular scar approximately 75 feet in diameter, is adjacent to a trail leading south into the troop-training area.

The ground scarring in the northern part of the troop-training area at 56-25-00N 42-57-00E appears to have been expanded. Unidentified objects are now visible at the eastern ends of approximately eleven nearly parallel scar lines previously observed. In addition, fresh scar lines are apparent south and east of the already existing scars (Figure 2). At least three observation towers overlook the scarring from the western edge, and several support buildings are situated to the west of the towers. This pattern is probably some kind of troop-training facility.

The facility is connected to the possible administration, barracks, and support area by a dirt road. No vehicles can be identified on this photography, but the roads in the area appear to be well used.

Scattered-to-heavy clouds cover much of the areas on photography of [REDACTED] but do permit identification of a new aerial target near the northern perim-

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MAPS OR CHARTS

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